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In re the Application of

Hiroto HORIKAWA

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/139,296

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For: STAGE UNIT, DRIVE TABLE, AND SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS USING SAME

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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